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I received a Form PTOL-462 "Notification of Non-Compliance with 37 CFR 1.192©, dated April 14, 2004, from the examiner, Charles Goodman, notifying me that the Appeal Brief I filed on August 20, 2003 for a cabbage cutter, Patent Application No. 09/025, 896, did not comply with all the requirements of 37 CFR 1.192© of MPEP 1206 and that I should file a complete new brief in compliance with 37 CFR 1.192© to avoid dismissal of the appeal.

Per instructions I am submitting herewith a complete new brief that includes all the required items.

I submitted the previous Appeal Brief, lacking some of the required items, after reading the section of MPEP 1206 under the heading Appeal Brief Content which states that an exception to the requirement that all the items specified in 37 CFR 1.192© be included in the brief is made if the application or reexamination proceeding is being prosecuted by the appellant pro se, there is no attorney or agent of record, and the brief was neither prepared nor signed by a registered attorney or agent. The section states that the brief of a pro se appellant which does not contain all the items, (1) to (9), specified in 37 CFR 1.192© will be accepted as long as it substantially complies with the requirements of items (1), (2), and (8). I assumed I was in this category.

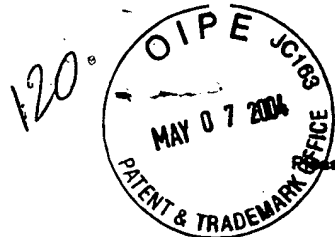
I apologize for the misunderstanding. A complete new brief, including all the required items, is attached.

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